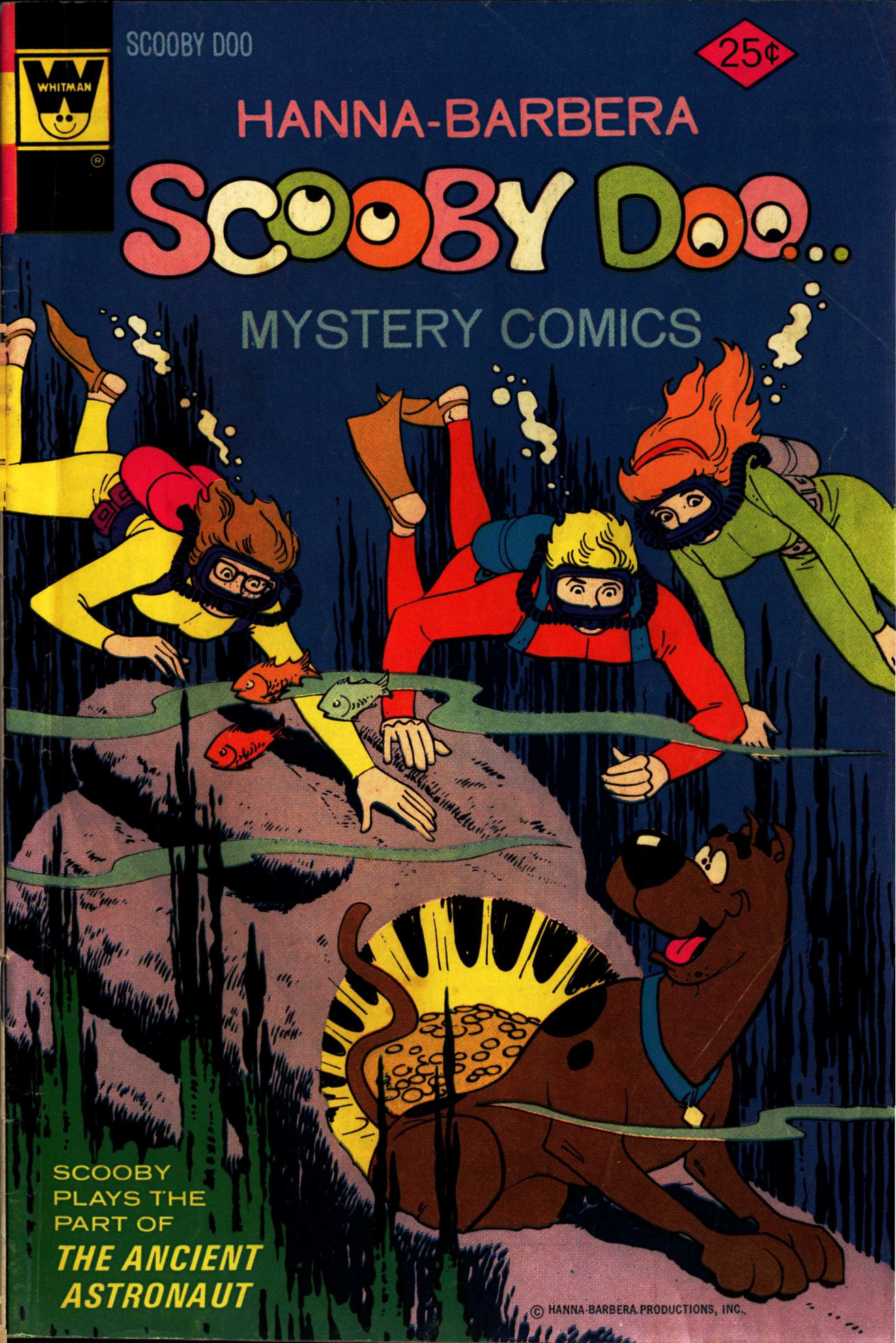
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COUGH! COUGH! COUGH!

EEEEK! TH-THE EGYPTIAN SARCOPHAGUS IS COUGHING!

YOU MUST BE MISTAKEN, DAPHNE!

WELL, OLD SHAGGY HERE HEARD IT, TOO, AND HE'S MAKING TRACKS!

A M-MUMMY GHOST! THEY'RE THE WORST KIND!

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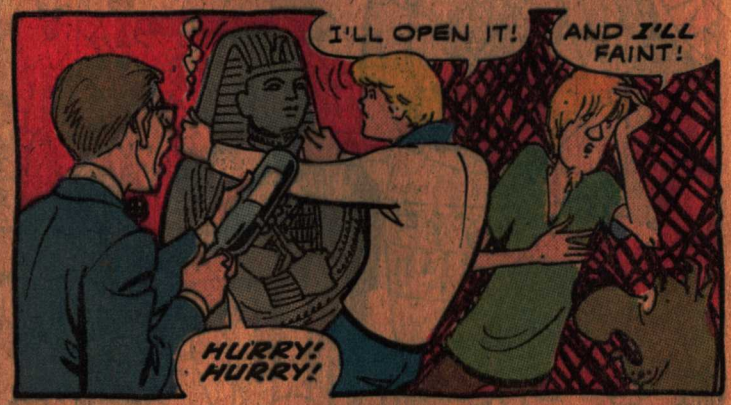
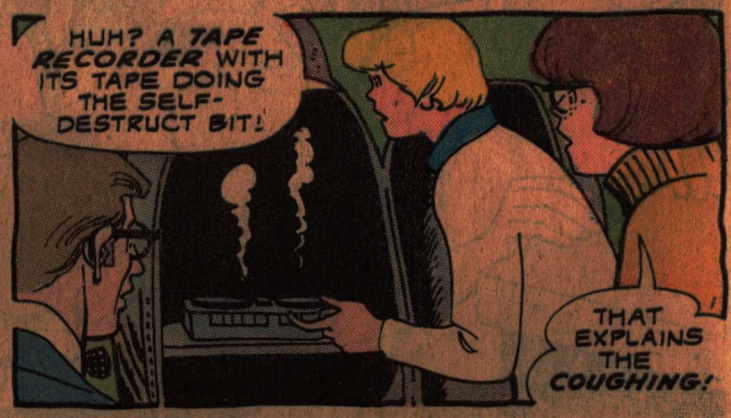
WUFF-AROO!
HEY, WHOSE SIDE ARE YOU ON, SCOOB?

CROAK! *GASP!*
HUH? A SMOKING MUMMY!
ENOUGH TO MAKE ANYONE COUGH!

ONE SIDE! I'M THE CURATOR! LET ME EXTINGUISH IT!


I'LL OPEN IT!
AND I'LL FAINT!
HURRY! HURRY!


HUH? A TAPE RECORDER WITH ITS TAPE DOING THE SELF-DESTRUCT BIT!
THAT EXPLAINS THE COUGHING!

BUT WHY WOULD ANYBODY PULL SUCH A PRANK, FREDDY?
A STUPID STUNT!
A CATTY TRICK!

GUARD! GUARD! LOCK THE DOOR QUICKLY! THIS SHOWCASE HAS BEEN ROBBED!
I'M AFRAID THE SLICK RASCAL HAS MADE A CLEAN GETAWAY! HE HAD THIS PLANNED VERY CAREFULLY!
AHA! THE COUGHING SARCOPHAGUS WAS A TRICK TO DRAW ATTENTION FROM OVER HERE!
WHAT'S UP, SCOOB?
SNIFF!
SNIFF!

A DRIED PIECE OF MUD... LIKE OFF SOME-BODY'S SHOE!
COULD BE A CLUE! GOOD BOY, SCOOBY!

MY UNCLE WORKS IN THE POLICE CRIME LAB... HE MAY BE ABLE TO TELL US SOMETHING ABOUT THE CRIMINAL FROM THIS MUD SPECIMEN!

(GROAN!) THE MUSEUM PAID A LARGE SUM FOR THAT ANCIENT AXTAKL STONE CARVING THAT WE CALL "THE ANCIENT ASTRONAUT"!
EH? ANCIENT ASTRONAUT? WHAT DO YOU MEAN, MR. HADLEY?
ASTRO-HOO?

HERE'S A PHOTO WE TOOK OF IT!
SAY! THAT DOES LOOK LIKE AN ASTRONAUT PILOTING A SPACE CRAFT!
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AND THEY SOON "GET IT ALL TOGETHER"...

THIS MUD IS COMMON TO TROPICAL LANDS, BUT IT CONTAINS *SEEDS* OF *PLANTS* NATIVE ONLY TO *AXTAKL!*

WE'RE GETTING HOT!

THAT TAXI TOOK ITS FARE STRAIGHT TO THE *CENTRAL AMERICAN* AIRLINE TERMINAL!

METHINKS THE "ANCIENT ASTRONAUT" HAS *GONE HOME!*

AND BEFORE SCOOBY COULD SAY "WOO-FAROO"...

IMAGINE *US* BEING SENT DOWN HERE IN THE *MUSEUM'S PLANE!*

WELL, THEY FIGURED IT'D BE WORTH THE EXPENSE IF WE CAN RETRIEVE THE STONE-ART!

MAYBE THE THIEF WILL TRY TO SELL IT BACK TO THE AXTAKL GOVERNMENT!

HEY... DIG THE TEMPLES!

THE "ANCIENT ASTRONAUT" MUST HAVE COME FROM THAT TEMPLE... IT'S THE LARGEST ONE!

WHEEERP!

IT'S IN WALKING DISTANCE! LET'S TAKE A LOOK BEFORE WE CONTACT THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES!

HERE'S A TRAIL LEADING TO THE BIG TEMPLE!

C'MON, GANG! SCOOBY'S LEADING THE WAY!

LAST ONE UP IS A PUPPY WITH FLEAS!

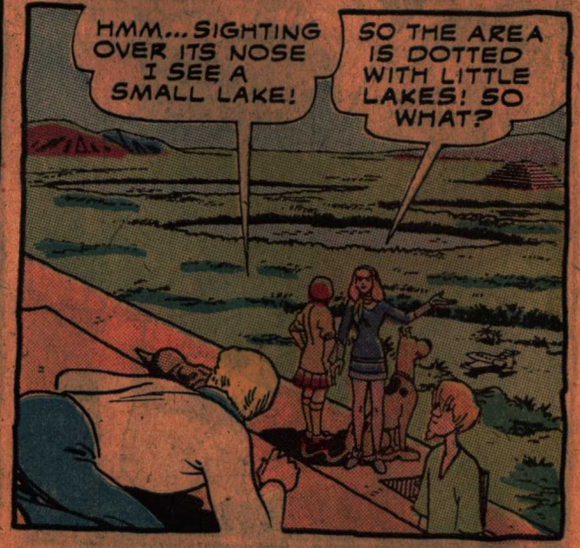
AND AT THE TOP...

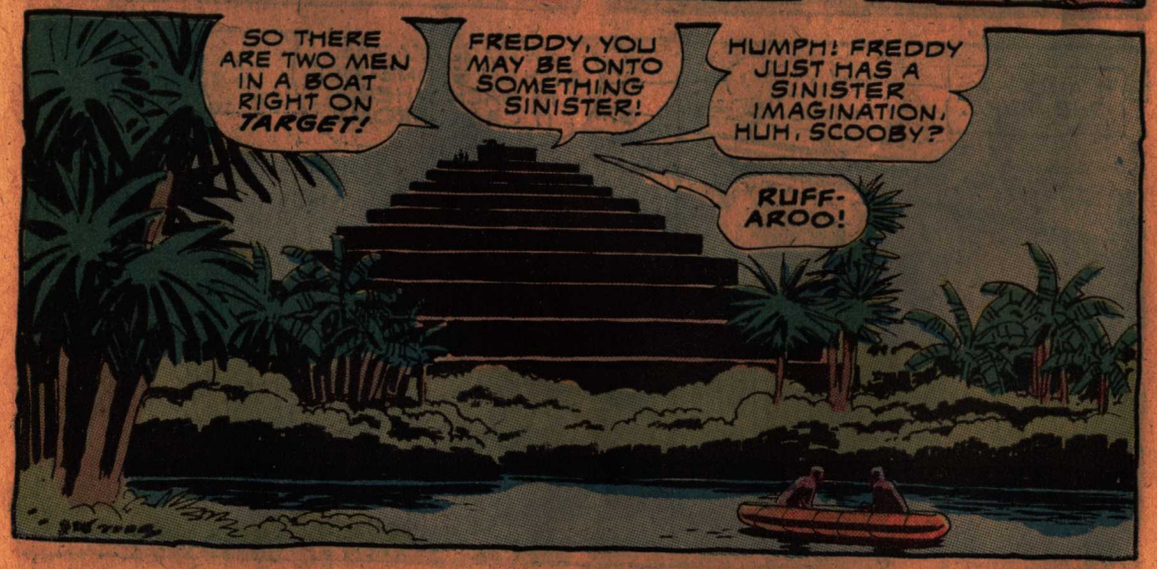
THAT'S IT! THE STOLEN STONE-ART IS BACK WHERE IT CAME FROM!

YEA-MAN! NOW TO FLY IT AWAY HOME!

WHAT? AND LET THE THIEF GET AWAY?
THAT'S THE SPIRIT, FREDDY!
THE SPIRIT OF BIG TROUBLE!

HMM... THERE'S SOMETHING STRANGE ABOUT THIS ANCIENT ASTRONAUT... THE SHIP IS TILTED AS IF IT'S POINTING TO SOMETHING... NOT POINTING UP AS FOR TAKEOFF!


HMM... SIGHTING OVER ITS NOSE I SEE A SMALL LAKE!
SO THE AREA IS DOTTED WITH LITTLE LAKES! SO WHAT?

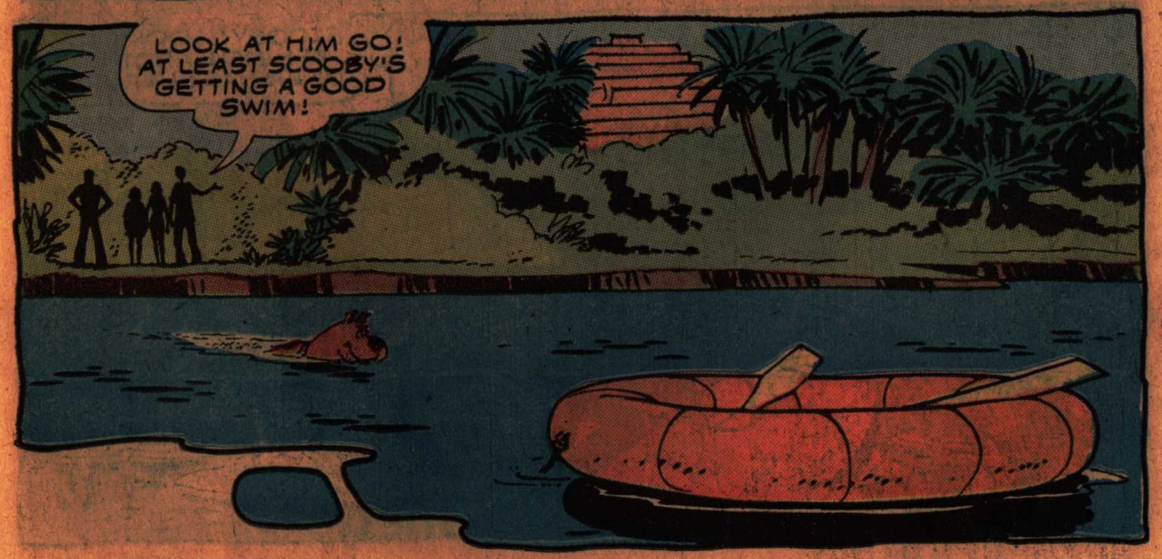

SO THERE ARE TWO MEN IN A BOAT RIGHT ON TARGET!
FREDDY, YOU MAY BE ONTO SOMETHING SINISTER!
HUMPH! FREDDY JUST HAS A SINISTER IMAGINATION, HUH, SCOOBY?
RUFF-AROO!

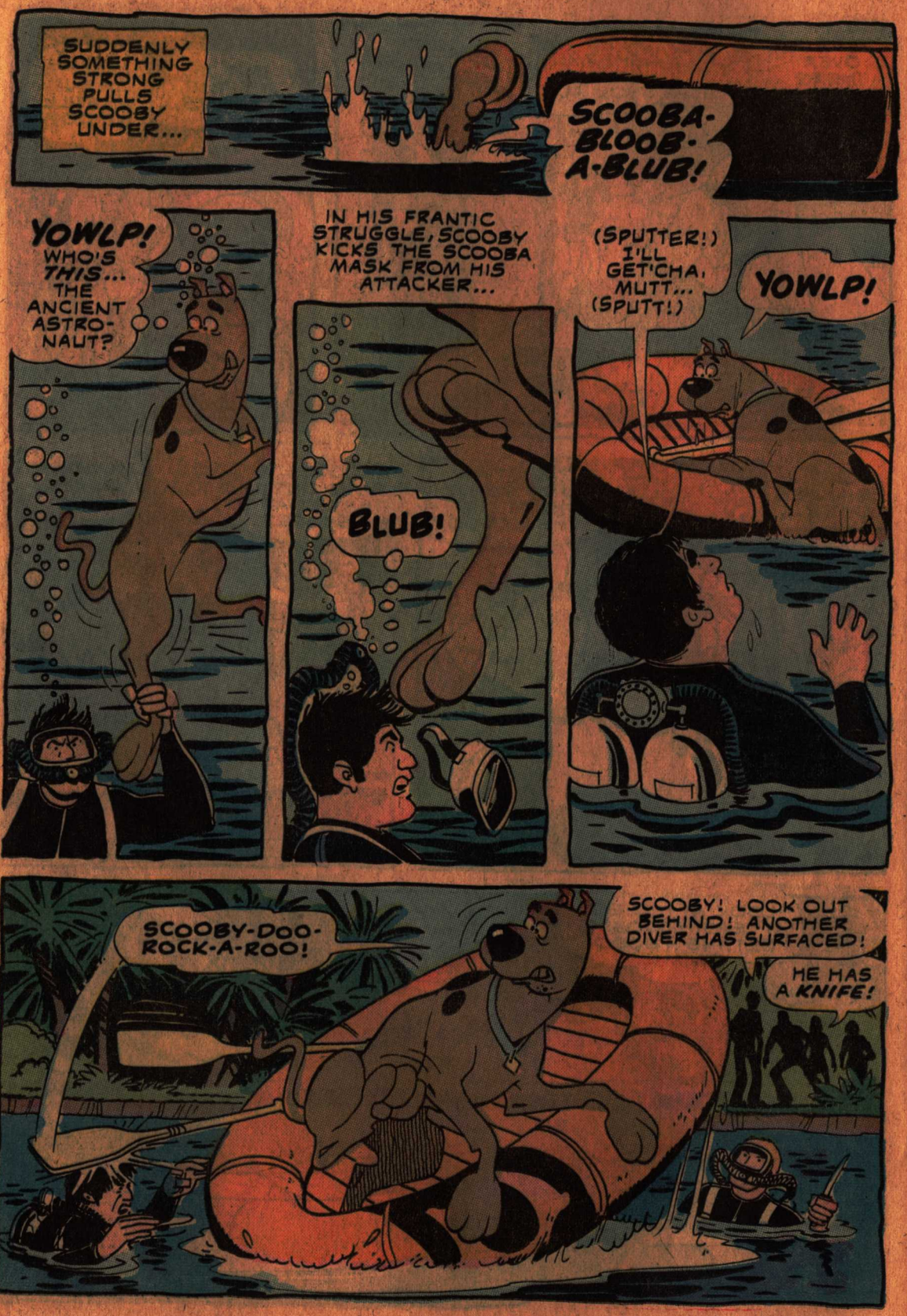
LET'S GET OVER THERE QUICKLY!
IF IT'S TWO FISHERMEN... HEE-HAW TO YOU ALL!

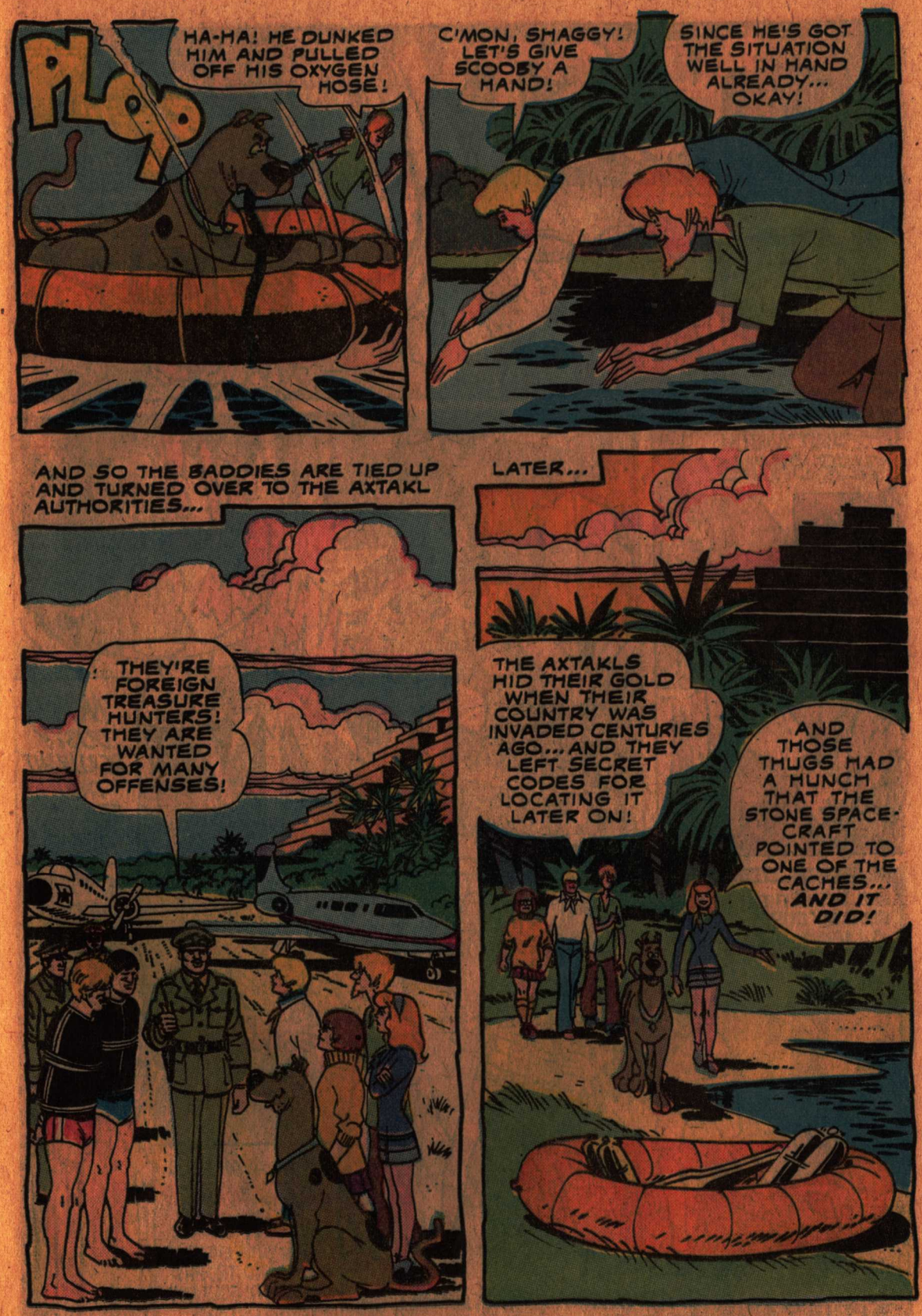
BUT IF IT'S THE CULPRITS...
(GULP!) THEN WHAT'LL WE DO?

BUT MINUTES LATER...
EH? JUST AN EMPTY BOAT! WHERE DID THE MEN GO?

SCOOBY... WILL YOU SWIM OUT AND TOW THAT BOAT TO SHORE?
SCOOBY DOO'LL DO!


LOOK AT HIM GO! AT LEAST SCOOBY'S GETTING A GOOD SWIM!


SUDDENLY SOMETHING STRONG PULLS SCOOBY UNDER...
SCOOBA-BLOOB-A-BLUB!
YOWLP! WHO'S THIS... THE ANCIENT ASTRO-NAUT?
IN HIS FRANTIC STRUGGLE, SCOOBY KICKS THE SCOOBA MASK FROM HIS ATTACKER...
BLUB!
(SPUTTER!) I'LL GET'CHA, MUTT... (SPUTT!)
YOWLP!
SCOOBY-DOO-ROCK-A-ROO!
SCOOBY! LOOK OUT BEHIND! ANOTHER DIVER HAS SURFACED!
HE HAS A KNIFE!


PLOP
HA-HA! HE DUNKED HIM AND PULLED OFF HIS OXYGEN HOSE!
C'MON, SHAGGY! LET'S GIVE SCOOBY A HAND!
SINCE HE'S GOT THE SITUATION WELL IN HAND ALREADY... OKAY!
AND SO THE BADDIES ARE TIED UP AND TURNED OVER TO THE AXTAKL AUTHORITIES...
THEY'RE FOREIGN TREASURE HUNTERS! THEY ARE WANTED FOR MANY OFFENSES!
LATER...
THE AXTAKLS HID THEIR GOLD WHEN THEIR COUNTRY WAS INVADED CENTURIES AGO... AND THEY LEFT SECRET CODES FOR LOCATING IT LATER ON!
AND THOSE THUGS HAD A HUNCH THAT THE STONE SPACE-CRAFT POINTED TO ONE OF THE CACHES... AND IT DID!

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AMERICA'S MOST BEAUTIFUL DOLL!

LOOK AT THAT TERRIFIC SUNTAN!

...AND WATCH HER SWING!

WHAK!

WOW, DUSTY REALLY HIT THAT TENNIS BALL!

AND WITH OTHER SETS MY DUSTY CAN DO ALL THIS!

WOW, WHAT FOLLOW-THROUGH!

WHAM

POW

ZAP

LOOK AT DUSTY SERVE THAT VOLLEYBALL

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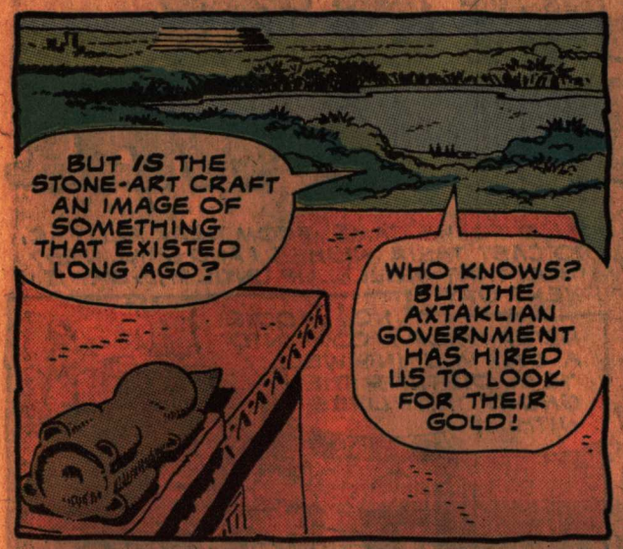

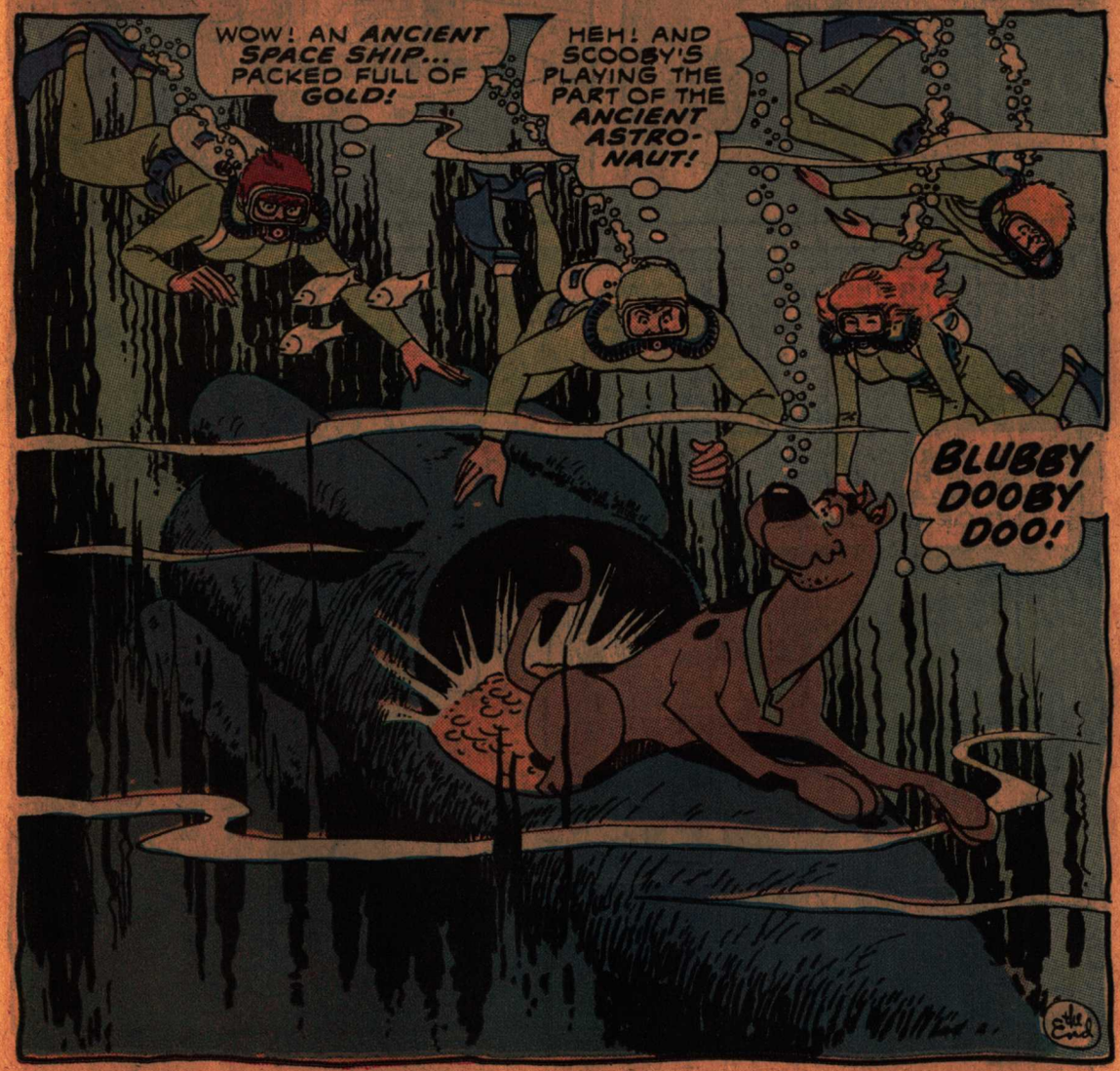

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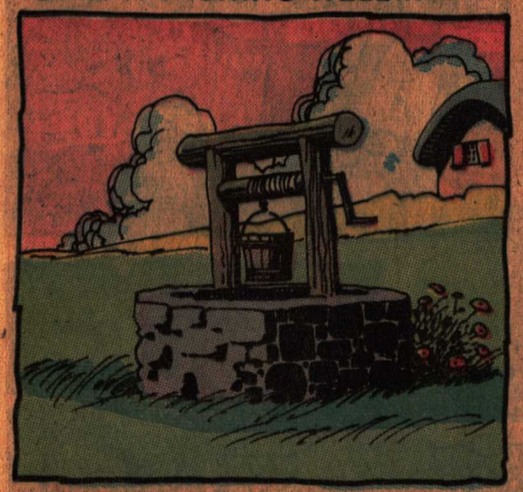
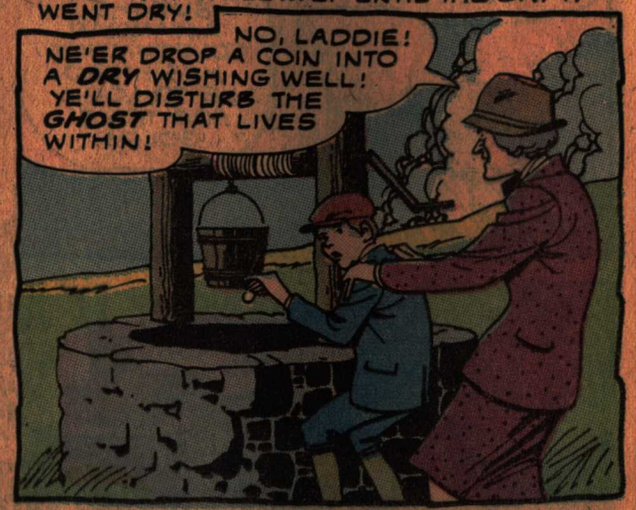
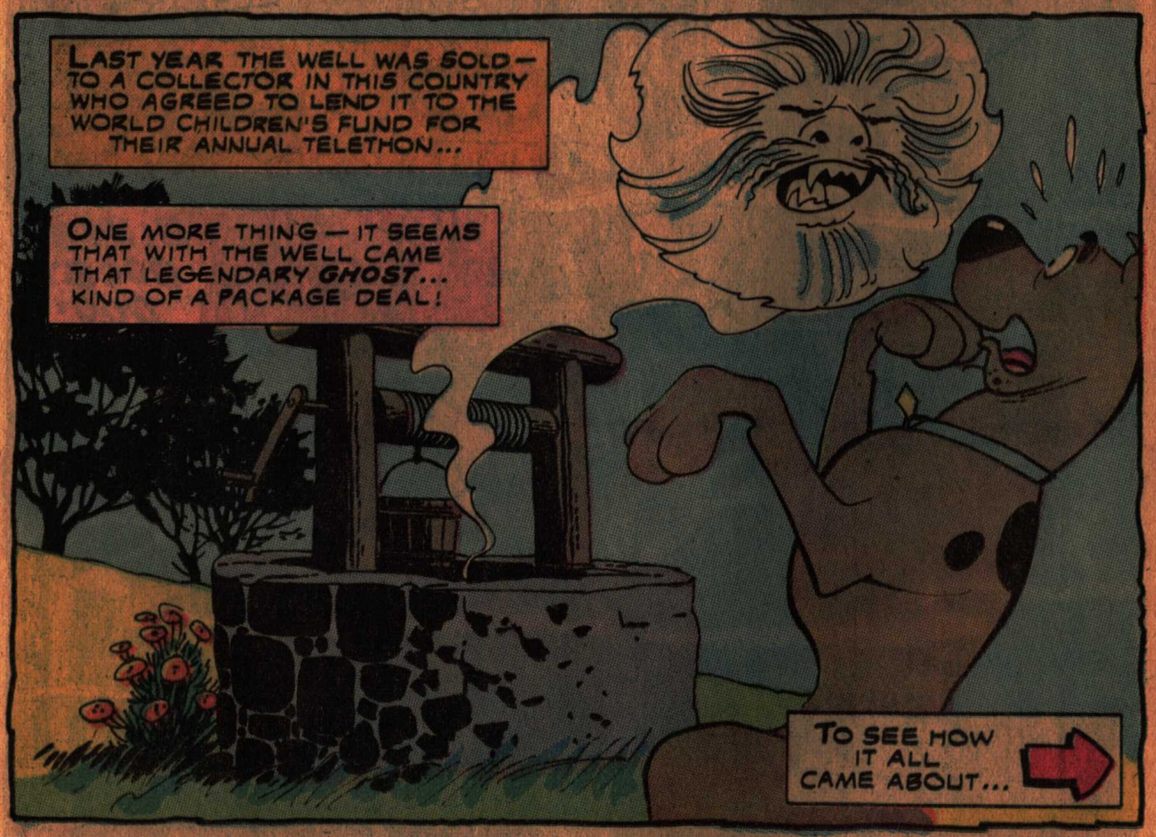
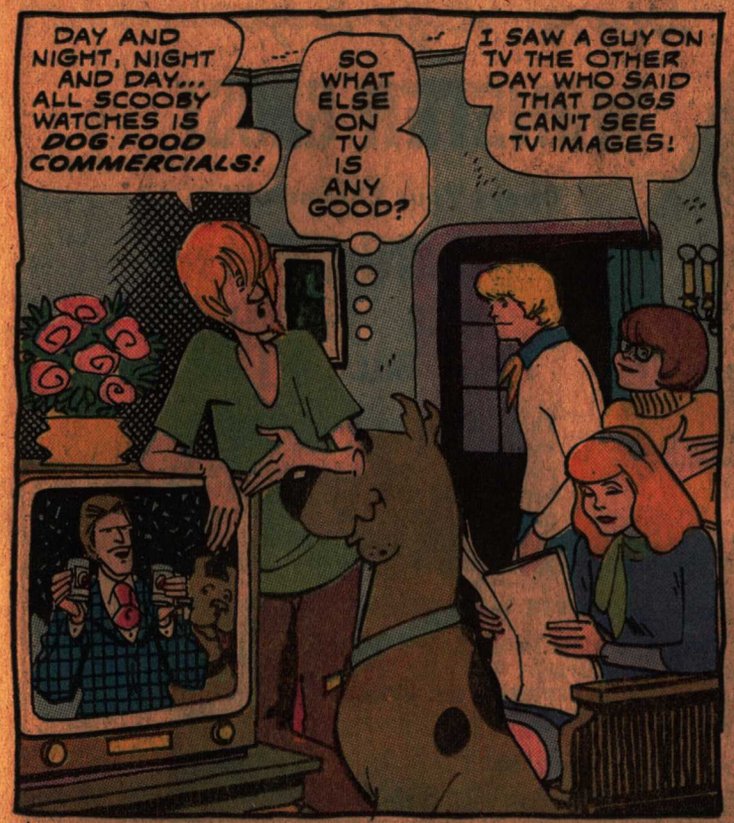




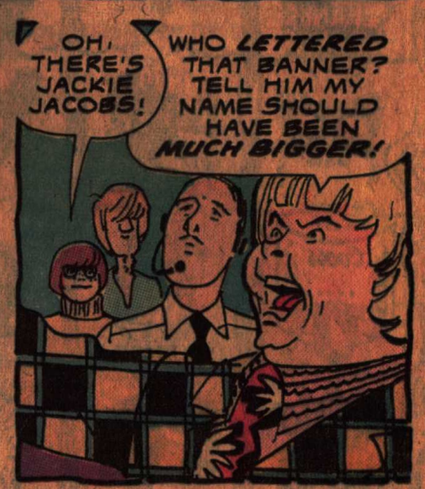




TERRIF! SCOOB AND I CAN DO OUR TRAINED DOG ACT!
(SIGH!) WAS THERE ANY DOUBT?

THE NEXT MORNING...
JACKIE JACOBS
TELETHON
WORLD CHILDREN'S FUND

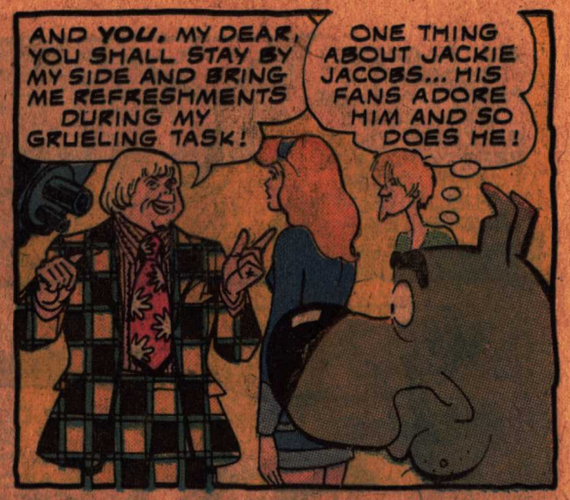
I'VE BEEN IN TV STUDIOS BEFORE BUT THEY WERE NEVER THIS BUSY!
A TELETHON'S A BIG PRODUCTION, DAPHNE! BUT, IF THEY RAISE ENOUGH MONEY, IT'S ALL WORTH THE EFFORT!


OH, THERE'S JACKIE JACOBS!
WHO LETTERED THAT BANNER? TELL HIM MY NAME SHOULD HAVE BEEN MUCH BIGGER!

AND TELL MY WRITERS I WANT EIGHT MORE PAGES OF JOKES—REAL FUNNY STUFF—ON THE DOUBLE!
HOW MANY WRITERS DO YOU HAVE, MR. JACOBS?

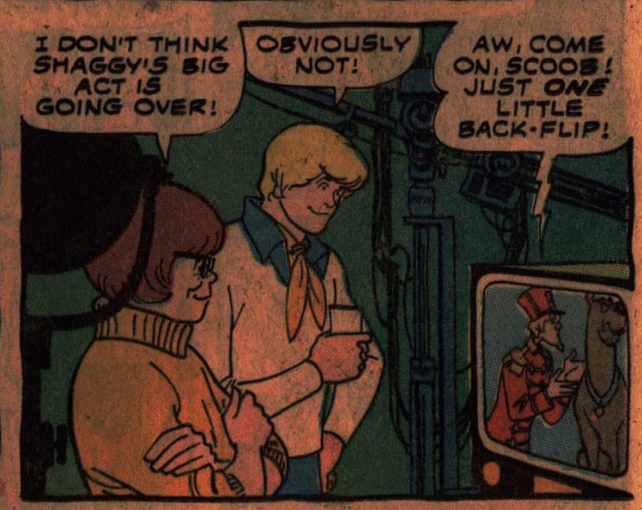
WRITERS? WHO HAS WRITERS? I DO ALL OF MY OWN MATERIAL! YOU KIDS WANT MY AUTOGRAPH, DON'T YOU?
OH, GIVING AUTOGRAPHS IS SUCH A BOTHER! BUT, JUST THIS ONCE...

WELL, ACTUALLY, WE'RE JUST HERE TO HELP OUT! WE...
WANNA HELP, EH? OKAY, YOU CAN GET MY AUTOGRAPH LATER! YOU GUYS CAN WATCH THE WISHING WELL! AND THE GIRL WITH THE GLASSES CAN HANDLE MY CUE CARDS...


AND YOU, MY DEAR, YOU SHALL STAY BY MY SIDE AND BRING ME REFRESHMENTS DURING MY GRUELING TASK!
ONE THING ABOUT JACKIE JACOBS... HIS FANS ADORE HIM AND SO DOES HE!

SOON, THE TELETHON IS UNDER WAY...
...AS WE GO INTO OUR FOURTH HOUR. KEEP THOSE DONATIONS ROLLING IN! NOW, HERE'S SHAGGY AND HIS TRAINED DOG, SCOOBY!
20 HOURS TO GO!
THIS IS IT, SCOOB—WE'RE ON!
THEY EXPECT ME TO DO TRICKS BUT THEY WON'T GIVE ME TOP BILLING!

UP, SCOOBY! COME ON, BOY! ROLL OVER! SHOW 'EM YOUR STUFF, SCOOB!
HERE, I SIT!


I DON'T THINK SHAGGY'S BIG ACT IS GOING OVER!
OBVIOUSLY NOT!
AW, COME ON, SCOOB! JUST ONE LITTLE BACK-FLIP!

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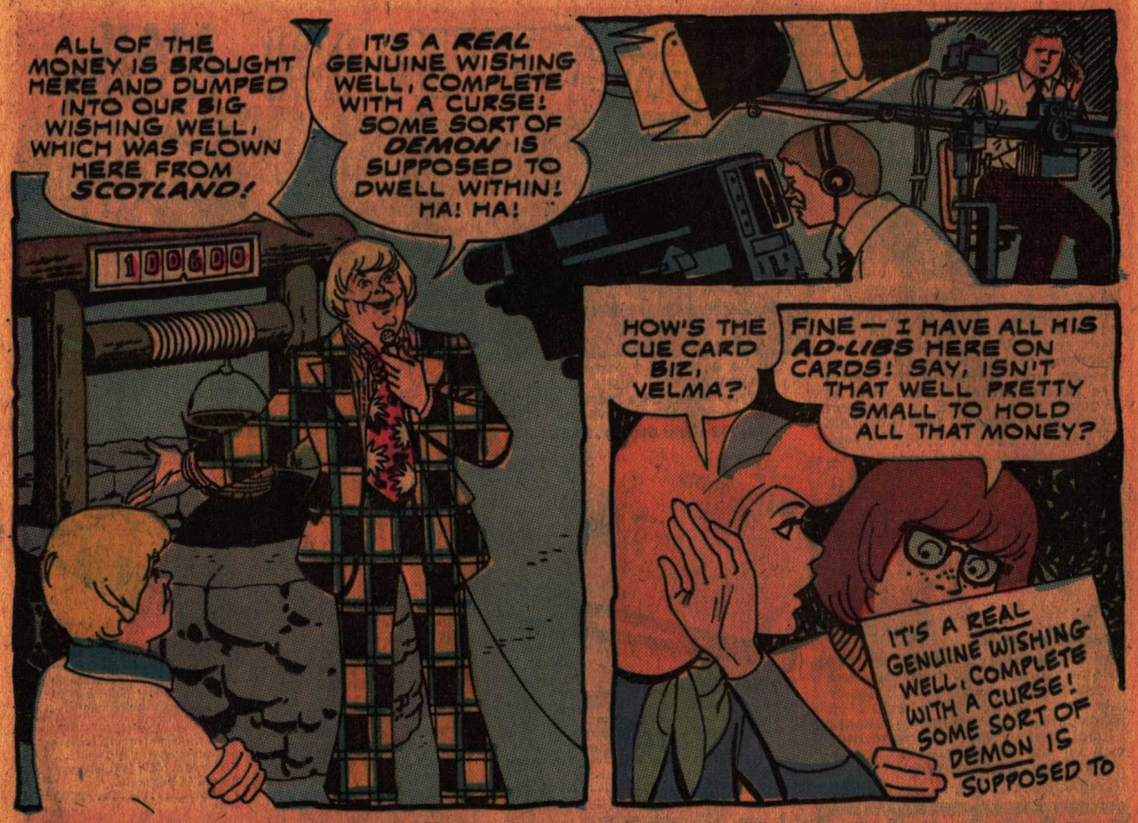
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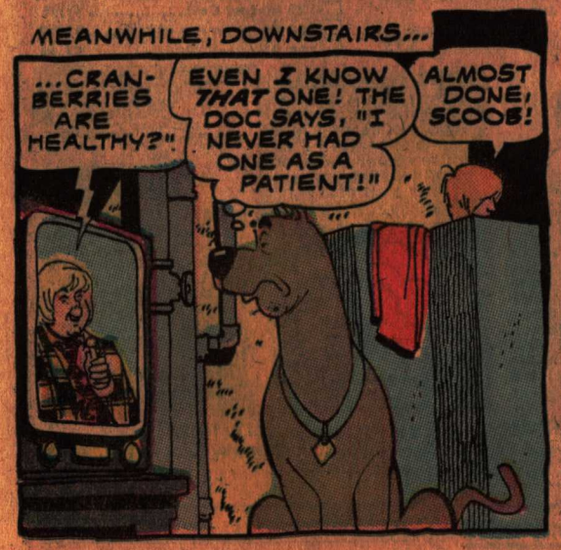
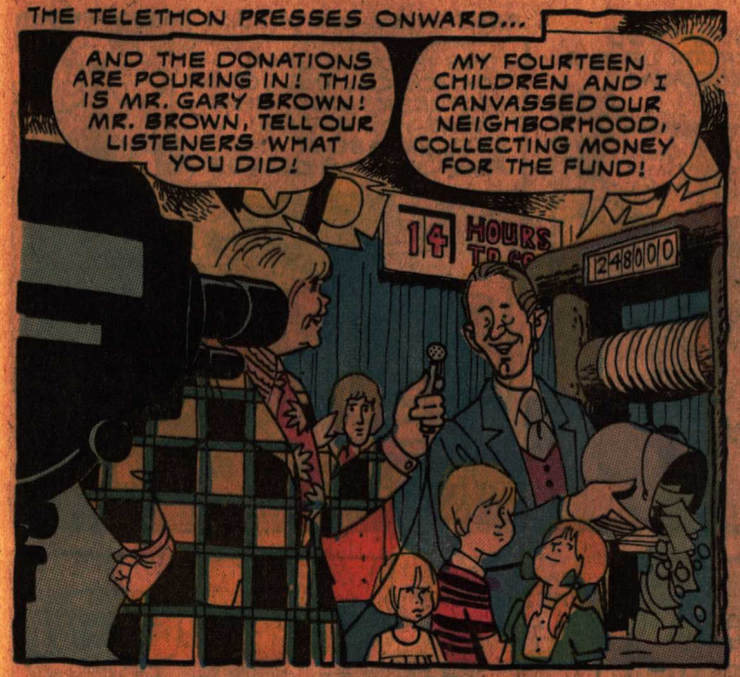
HOW'S THE CUE CARD BIZ, VELMA?
FINE — I HAVE ALL HIS AD-LIBS HERE ON CARDS! SAY, ISN'T THAT WELL PRETTY SMALL TO HOLD ALL THAT MONEY?
IT'S A REAL GENUINE WISHING WELL, COMPLETE WITH A CURSE! SOME SORT OF DEMON IS SUPPOSED TO

FRED EXPLAINED IT TO ME — THERE'S A TRAP DOOR IN THE WELL THAT LEADS TO A STORE-ROOM IN THE BASEMENT!
OH!
SAY, FOLKS, I JUST REMEMBERED ONE OF MY FAVORITE STORIES... A MAN ASKS HIS DOCTOR, "DO YOU THINK CRANBERRIES ARE HEALTHY?"


MEANWHILE, DOWNSTAIRS...
...CRAN-BERRIES ARE HEALTHY?"
EVEN I KNOW THAT ONE! THE DOC SAYS, "I NEVER HAD ONE AS A PATIENT!"
ALMOST DONE, SCOOB!

...AND THE DOCTOR SAYS, "I NEVER HAD ONE AS A PATIENT!"
BOY, WHOEVER SAID JACKIE JACOBS WAS A GREAT COMEDIAN?
I DON'T KNOW HOW I REMEM-BER THESE GREAT GAGS!
HE DID!


THE TELETHON PRESSES ONWARD...
AND THE DONATIONS ARE POURING IN! THIS IS MR. GARY BROWN! MR. BROWN, TELL OUR LISTENERS WHAT YOU DID!
MY FOURTEEN CHILDREN AND I CANVASSED OUR NEIGHBORHOOD, COLLECTING MONEY FOR THE FUND!
14 HOURS
248000

MR. BROWN AND HIS FAMILY HAVE PUT US OVER THE QUARTER-MILLION MARK! HOW ABOUT THAT FOLKS? IS THAT GREAT?
IT IS GREAT...
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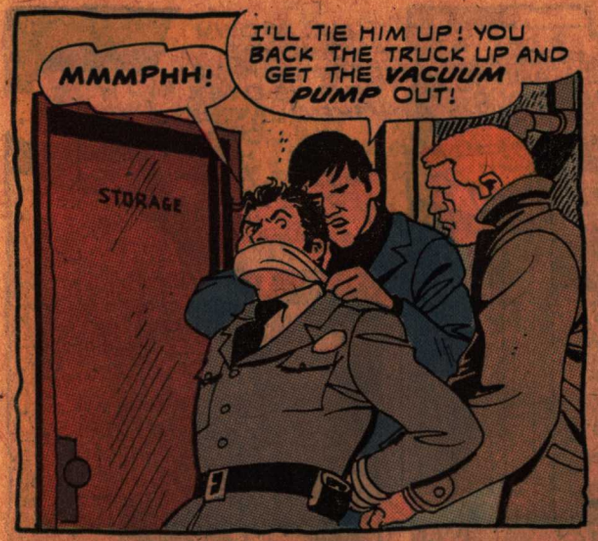
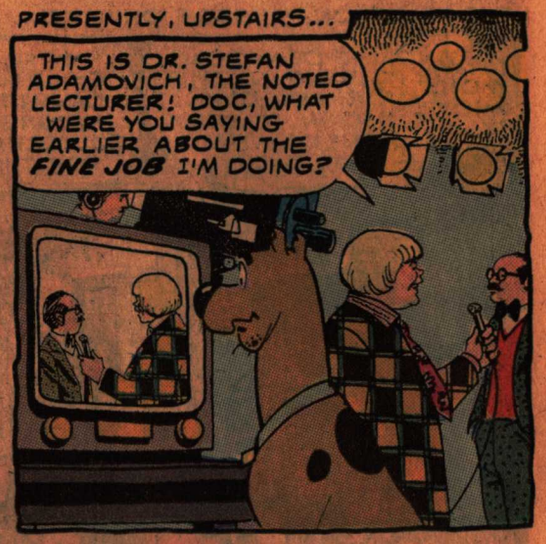
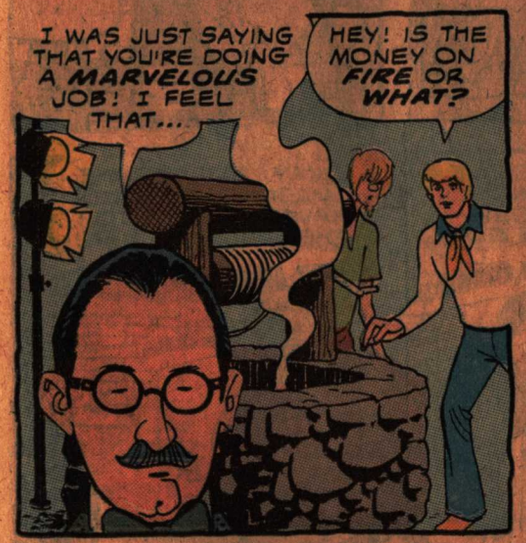
THESE TELE-THONS DO A LOT OF GOOD — NOT JUST BY RAISING MONEY FOR GOOD CAUSES...
...BUT BY SHOWING THAT THERE ARE GOOD PEOPLE OUT THERE WHO AREN'T RICH BUT WILL SHARE WHAT THEY HAVE!

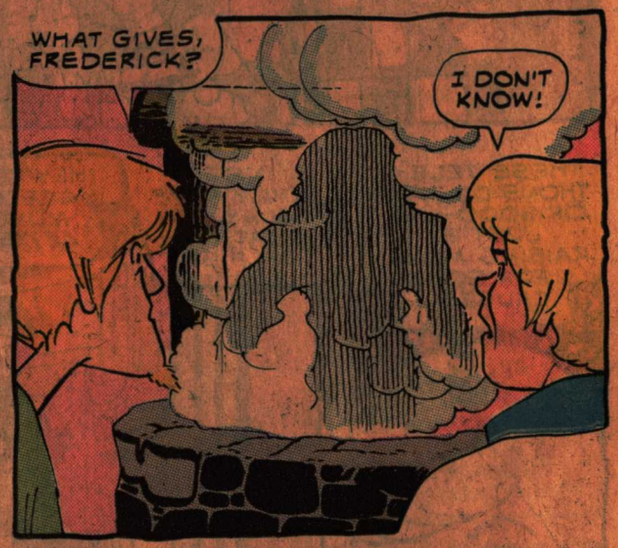
NOT EVERYONE ALAS, IS THAT UN-SELFISH!
THEY'RE OVER $250,000, MUNGER — LET'S GO!
OKAY, I'VE GOT THE MASK! I HOPE YOU HAVE THE KEYS TO THE TRUCK, GRUBER!
MAIN FLOOR

PARDON ME — IS THIS THE ROOM THAT THE MONEY FROM THE WISHING WELL GOES INTO?
HEY, THERE'S NOT SUPPOSED TO BE ANYONE DOWN HERE IN THE BASEMENT!

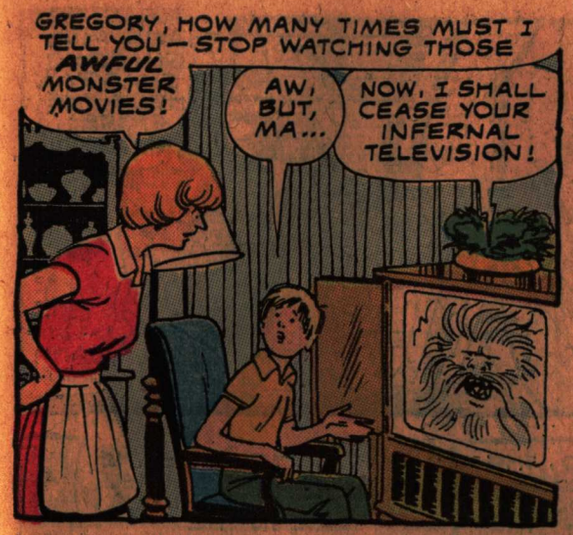

MMMPHH!
I'LL TIE HIM UP! YOU BACK THE TRUCK UP AND GET THE VACUUM PUMP OUT!
STORAGE

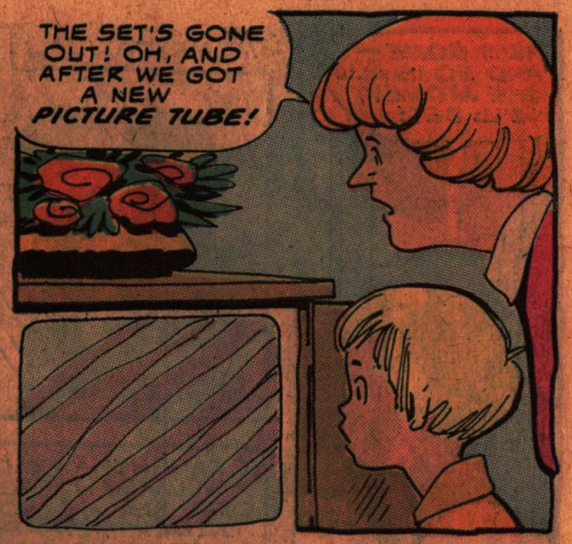

PRESENTLY, UPSTAIRS...
THIS IS DR. STEFAN ADAMOVICH, THE NOTED LECTURER! DOC, WHAT WERE YOU SAYING EARLIER ABOUT THE FINE JOB I'M DOING?


I WAS JUST SAYING THAT YOU'RE DOING A MARVELOUS JOB! I FEEL THAT...
HEY! IS THE MONEY ON FIRE OR WHAT?

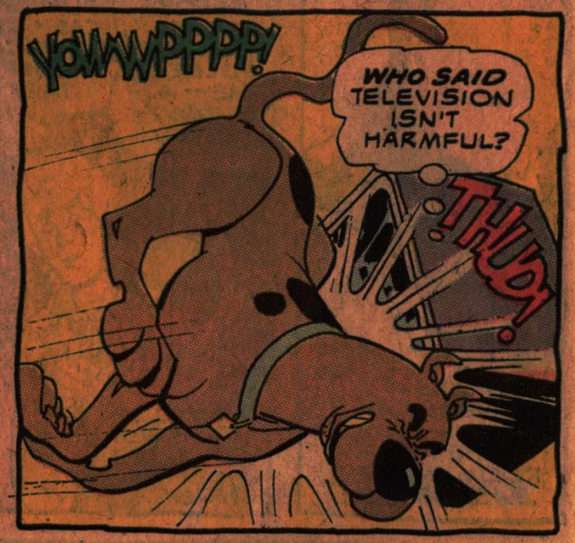

WHAT GIVES, FREDERICK?
I DON'T KNOW!

WHAT'S ALL THAT NOISE WHEN I'M TRYING TO DO A SHOW HERE? NEVER DISTURB A GREAT TALENT!
YOU DISTURBED MY WELL—BROUGHT IT ALL THE WAY HERE FROM ITS HOMELAND!
THE CURSE OF THE WELL!


GREGORY, HOW MANY TIMES MUST I TELL YOU—STOP WATCHING THOSE AWFUL MONSTER MOVIES!
AW, BUT, MA...
NOW, I SHALL CEASE YOUR INFERNAL TELEVISION!


THE SET'S GONE OUT! OH, AND AFTER WE GOT A NEW PICTURE TUBE!

ALL THE CHARITY MONEY IS IN THAT WELL! HE MUST BE AFTER IT!
KEEP YOUR DISTANCE, DOG!


YOWWPPPP!
WHO SAID TELEVISION ISN'T HARMFUL?
THUD!

THE CONTROL ROOM SAYS OUR TRANSMISSION IS OUT! WE'RE OFF THE AIR!
AND OFF THE AIR YOU'LL STAY!

HUSTLE, FRED! GRAB HIM!
NOT IN TIME, GENTLEMEN! I BID YOU FAREWELL!

HE'S GONE— AND SO IS ALL THE MONEY I'LL BET!

MOMENTARILY...

THAT'S THE GUARD! SHAGGY, CHECK THE STORE-ROOM!

I CAUGHT A GLIMPSE OF THEIR TRUCK BEFORE THEY BLIND-FOLDED ME— A U-RENT-EM VAN!

FRED, THE STORE-ROOM'S EMPTY! THEY PUMPED THE CASH OUT WITH A VACUUM PUMP— ALL THEY LEFT WAS THE PUMP!

NO TIME TO UNTIE THE GUARD! LET'S SEE IF WE CAN PICK UP THEIR TRAIL IN THE MYSTERY MACHINE!

DELIVERY

AND AWAAAAY WE GO!

PARKING

IT WAS A DIVERSION! QUICK— DOWN TO THE MONEY ROOM IN THE BASEMENT!

SHORTLY...

THERE THEY ARE, FREDDY— DEAD AHEAD! FOLLOW THOSE CURS!

I JUST REALIZED— IN ORDER TO POWER THAT VACUUM PUMP THEY TAPPED INTO THE STUDIO'S MAIN POWER LINE! THAT'S WHAT PUT THE STATION OFF THE AIR!

MYSTERY MACHINE

U-RENT-EM

THEY STAGED THAT GHOST-IN-THE-WELL BIT PERFECTLY! WHAT A DIVERSION!

IT SURE WAS— THE WHOLE STUDIO WAS IN A PANIC! THEY— HEY! THEY'RE SLOWING UP! THEY'RE STOPPING!

THEY'RE SCRAMMING ON FOOT, THAT'S WHAT THEY'RE DOING! YOU HAVE FOUR, SCOOB— GO TO IT!

U-RENT-EM

I KNOW I DON'T HAVE A CHANCE OF CATCHING THEM— BUT, AS A HERO, I MUST GIVE IT A GOOD TRY!

THEY DUCKED DOWN AN ALLEY! NO CHANCE OF CATCHING THEM!

WELL, THEY LEFT THEIR VAN BEHIND— AND IT LOOKS LIKE THE CHILDREN'S FUND MONEY IS ALL HERE!

AND SO...

THE POLICE CHECKED OUT THAT TRUCK! IT WAS RENTED WITH FAKE I.D.!

THE WISHING WELL IS ALL FILLED UP AGAIN! BUT THE CROOKS GOT AWAY!

SO WE MISSED ONE LITTLE DETAIL! NOBODY'S PERFECT!

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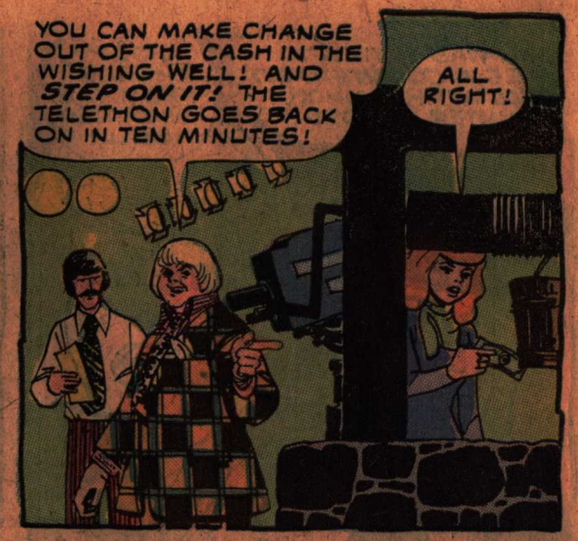

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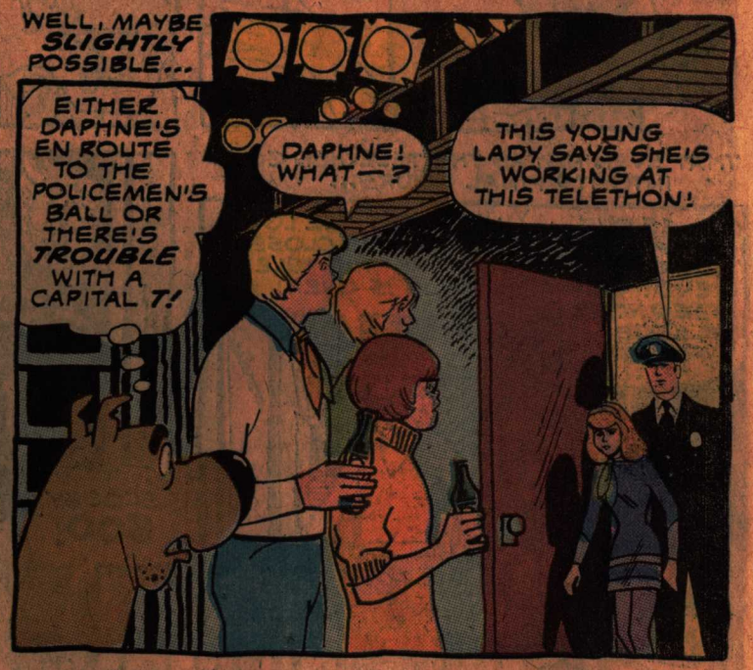
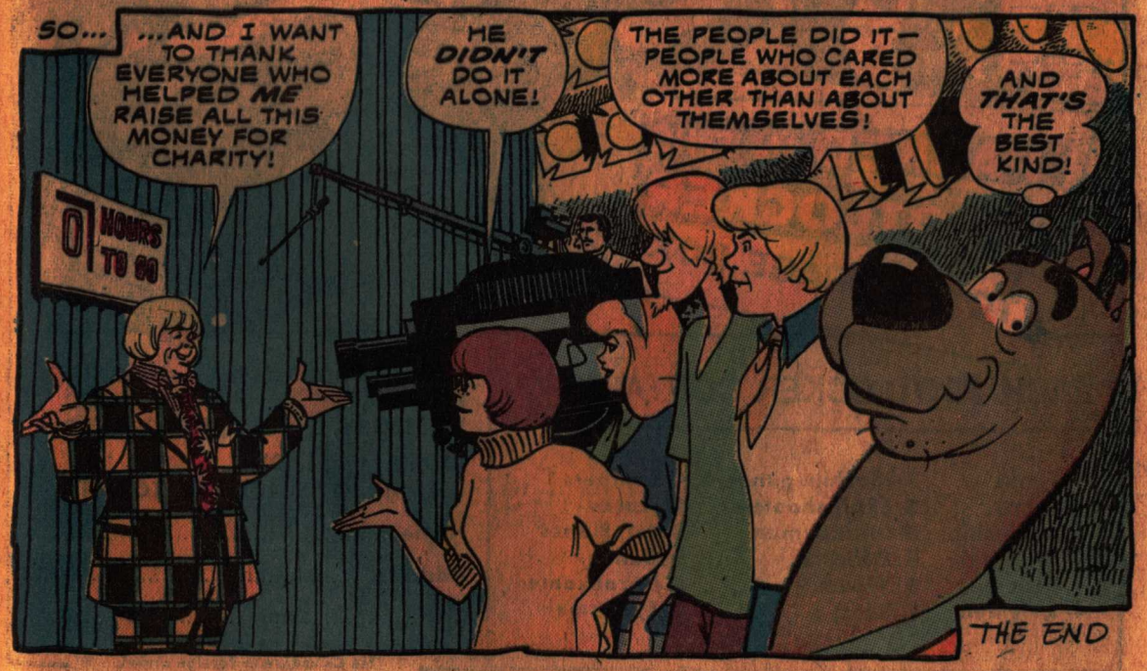


THAT EVENING, AS THE TELETHON GOES INTO ITS FINAL HOURS...

A FEW MINUTES LATER...



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